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ANNUAL REPORT

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MONT VERNON, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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NEW HAMPSHIRE  
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**TOWN OFFICERS**

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Selectmen

CHARLES H. RAYMOND    GEORGE O. CARLTON  
GEORGE C. HADLEY

Town Treasurer

ARTHUR P. TEMPLE

Town Clerk

HARRY G. BLOOD

Tax Collector

GEORGE W. COGGIN

Overseer of Poor

GEORGE C. HADLEY

Chief of Police

DANIEL ALEXANDER

Trustee of Trust Funds

C. H. RAYMOND                      W. H. KENDALL  
G. C. HADLEY

Auditor

N. F. HOOPER

# Warrant for Town Meeting

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## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Mont Vernon in the County of Hillsboro in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Mont Vernon on Tuesday, the 9th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the maintenance of State Highway.
4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate two hundred dollars for the Library and act in relation thereto.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate fifty dollars to be expended on the park.
6. To see if the Town will discontinue the road from A. W. Remington's road to the Amherst line provided the Town of Amherst will vote to discontinue the road from Mont Vernon line to the road running to Chestnut Hills so called.

Given under our hands and seal, this 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty.

CHARLES H. RAYMOND,  
 GEORGE O. CARLETON,  
 GEORGE C. HADLEY,  
 Selectmen of Mont Vernon,

## BALANCE SHEET

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### Assets

Cash in hands Town Treasurer	\$ 727 17	
Accounts due town:		
Taxes not collected, levy 1919	1045 29	
Due from state:		
State aid maintenance	74 36	
Bounties on hedgehogs	2 20	
Total assets	<hr style="width: 100px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/> \$1,849 02	
Excess of liabilities over assets	2,721 58	
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Grand total		\$4,570 60

### Liabilities

Unpaid balances set aside for special purposes:		
Due to schools:		
Dog licenses	37 75	
From town	682 85	
	<hr style="width: 100px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$720 60
Notes Outstanding:		
C. H. Raymond	\$1700 00	
Jane Kittredge	350 00	
J. F. Perham	100 00	
M. B. Raymond	200 00	
Frances Holt	1000 00	
M. H. Raymond	500 00	
	<hr style="width: 100px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>	\$3,850 00
		<hr style="width: 100px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"/>
Total liabilities		\$4,570 60



## Town of Mont Vernon, N. H.

## RECEIPTS

## RECEIPTS

## Current Revenue from Local Taxes:

Property and poll taxes	\$10408 77	
From previous year	1196 78	
Redeemed taxes, 1918	14 51	
Interest on taxes 1818	27 29	
Interest on taxes, 1919	4 30	
	<hr/>	\$11651 65

## From State:

Railroad tax	\$167 27	
Savings bank tax	379 70	
	<hr/>	\$546 97
For State Maintenance	215 00	
For State aid construction	884 29	
Forest fires	10 20	
Bounties on hedghogs	6 60	
	<hr/>	\$1116 09

## From Local Sources:

Dog licenses	\$42 75	
Peddlers' licenses	15 00	
Rent of town hall	104 00	
Overpaid interest	70	
Sale of beans	14 50	
Town histories sold	9 50	
Automobile tax	121 39	
Abatement of taxes	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$333 84



## AND PAYMENTS

Year Ending Jan. 31, 1920

## PAYMENTS

## Current Maintenance Expenses:

## General Government:

Salaries of Town officers	\$428 06	
Expenses of town officers	64 15	
Election Expenses	28 00	
Care and supplies town hall	212 59	
Store house	77 29	
	<hr/>	\$811 09

## Protection of Persons and Property:

Fire department	147 26	
Forest fires	20 40	
Bounties	2 20	
	<hr/>	\$169 86

## Health and Sanitation:

Vital statistics		2 40
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## Highways and Bridges:

Maintenance, town account	\$1905 67	
Snow bills	134 80	
Sidewalks	678 00	
State and town joint acct.	756 22	
Street lighting	436 02	
Watering tubs	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$3916 71

## Education:

Libraries		\$200 00
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## Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial day and Tablet		46 40
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## Recreation:

Park		\$50 00
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**Town of Mont Vernon, N. H.****RECEIPTS**Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temp. loans in anticipation taxes 2000 00

Long term notes 1000 00

Gift from E. H. Best for repair

of East district road 710 81

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\$3710 81

Cash on hand at beginning of year

\$17359 36

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3322 11

Grand Total

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\$20681 47



**AND PAYMENTS****Year Ending Jan. 31, 1920****Public Service Enterprises:**

Cemeteries	\$91 30	
Taxes bought by town	29 78	
Abatements	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$146 08

**Interest:**

Paid on temporary loans	\$139 00
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**Charities:**

Overseer of the poor	\$15 00
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**Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:**

Highway construction: State and town accounts	\$4875 97
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**Indebtedness:**

Payment on principal of debt	\$2000 00
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**Payments to other Governmental Divisions:**

State tax	\$2530 00	
County tax	892 49	
Payments to School district	3693 00	
	<hr/>	\$7115 49

**Damages:**

Damage to turkey by dogs	5 00
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**Capital Outlay:**

New road machine	\$316 80
Guide boards and repairs	\$144 50

Total	\$19954 30
Cash in treasury	727 17
	<hr/>
	\$20681 47

## DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### Salaries of Town Officers

C. H. Raymond, selectman	\$90 00	
George O. Carlton, selectman	85 00	
George C. Hadley, selectman	85 00	
H. G. Blood, town clerk	20 00	
A. P. Temple, town treasurer	30 00	
George W. Coggin, tax collector	116 06	
N. F. Hooper, auditor	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$428 06

#### Election and Registration Expenses

Jay M. Gleason, supervisor	\$9 00	
N. F. Hooper, supervisor	8 00	
C. O. Ingalls, supervisor	8 00	
F. O. Lamson, moderator	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$28 00

#### Overseer of the Poor

George C. Hadley	\$15 00
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#### Expenses

Geo. C. Hadley, to Manchester meeting with tax commissioners	\$1.50	
Telephoning	65	
Postage	1 55	
Stationery and post for inventories	2 15	
C. H. Raymond, expense to Manchester and Nashua	3 40	
Stationery, etc	14	
H. G. Blood, postage	85	
A. P. Temple, postage	78	
J. M. Gleason, checklists	1 90	
E. C. Eastman, collector's & order book	4 43	
	<hr/>	\$17 35
Printing town reports		\$46 80



## Care and Supplies for Town Hall

Daniel Alexander, janitor	\$70 50	
Daniel Alexander, care of clock	5 00	
Daniel Alexander, paint and repairs	10 32	
Bergami, supplies	1 40	
Temple and Blood, supplies	20 44	
F. O. Lamson, wood	27 00	
W. H. Fox, repairs	7 00	
G. W. Moore, repairs to furnace	55 93	
Insurance	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$212 59

## Store House

Moving and repairing store house	\$77 29
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## Fire Department

Repairs on fire engine	\$ 4 75	
J. Peterson, repairs on ladder truck	25 00	
M. Goodale, work on ladder truck	22 85	
Cecil Smith, wiring engine house	33 86	
Salaries of firemen	60 80	
	<hr/>	\$147 26

## Bounties

11 Hedghogs	\$2 20
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## Health and Sanitation

H. G. Blood, reporting births, marriages and deaths	\$2 40
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## Highways and Bridges

## Repairs of highways:

George Blanchard	\$45 23
W. P. Jenkins	175 13
James Lawrence	150 50
B. Russell	66 00
R. F. Palmer	94 50
George Dow	88 50
West Nichols	374 34
R. C. Mason	26 85
N. Trow	4 50

W. Richardson	73 84
W. Brown	20 17
Walter Blanchard	74 00
Jason Stearns	12 00
P. Scott	25 34
Mrs. George Stearns	3 00
C. Morse	25 50
C. Burnham	111 00
H. Morse	10 50
John Nichols	39 00
John Corliss	43 50
John Hazen	32 25
Frank Smith	4 92
F. Smith, putting up railings on road to Grand	39 95
M. Wallace	34 75
John Dodge, repairing bridge on Brook road	66 00
Tonella & Son, bridge stone	66 00
Rufus G. Averill	1 00
George C. Hadley	7 12
W. E. Russell	11 06
Ernest Russell	6 30
M. H. Raymond	63 50
Dinamite	7 90
Bridge stone	9 00
George O. Carlton	11 65
J. G. Carlton	6 00
J. F. Perham	19 87
N. F. Hooper	9 00
C. H. Raymond, time and expense looking after roads	46 00
	<hr/> \$1905 67

### Highway Maintenance

State and Town account: patrolman on state road	\$756 22
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## Street Lighting

Lighting streets and town buildings		\$436 02
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## Library

Appropriation, J. M. Gleason		\$200 00
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## Memorial Day

Transportation and refreshments		\$28 40
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## Patriotic Purposes

Frank Smith, roll of honor tablet	\$ 6 00	
W. H. Pritchard, painting tablet	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$18 00

## Park

Appropriation, W. H. Kendall		\$50 00
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## Public Service Enterprises

H. G. Blood, cemetery trustee	\$85 30	
Bond for trustees of trust funds (2 yrs)	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$91 30

## Interest

## Paid on notes :

Francis Holt	\$40 00	
C. H. Raymond	48 00	
J. F. Perham	4 00	
Jane Kittredge	14 00	
M. B. Raymond	8 00	
Souhegan bank	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$139 00

## Highway Construction

Paid John E. Colburn, foreman state		
highway department	\$4165 16	
Paid for work on East district road	710 81	
	<hr/>	\$4875 97

## Payments on Notes

Souhegan bank notes		\$2000 00
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## Snow Bills

Harry Leighton, breaking sidewalks	\$34 00	
Temple and Blood, breaking sidewalks,		
spring of 1919	3 25	
W. H. Fox	3 00	
John Hazen	25 85	
West Nichols	5 00	
J. Stearns	1 80	
L. Trow	3 00	
A. Blood	3 00	
Daniel Alexander	1 80	
George C. Hadley	1 25	
C. H. Raymond	6 00	
E. A. Milne	4 00	
Arthur Hazen	4 80	
A. J. Emery	7 65	
W. P. Wilson	1 50	
N. Horton	7 50	
A. Winn	6 60	
Lucy Hutchinson	6 30	
John Corliss	8 50	
		<hr/> \$134 80

## Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

State tax	\$2530 00	
County tax	892 49	
		<hr/> \$3422 49
J. M. Gleason, treas School district	3584 00	
Tuitions paid to Stearns school	109 00	
		<hr/> \$3693 00

## Abatement of Taxes:

Abatements of taxes	\$26 00
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## Watering Tubs

D. J. Hutchinson	\$3 00	
R. G. Averill	3 00	
		<hr/> \$6 00



## Sidewalks

J. L. Douglass Co., repairs on sidewalks	\$678 00
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## Guideboards

J. H. Horn, painting and repairing guideboards	\$137 00
J. Peterson, guideboards	7 50
	<hr/> \$144 50

## New Road Machine

New road machine	\$303 80
Repairs	9 00
Temple and Blood, drawing up machine	4 00
	<hr/> \$316 80

## Damages

Lura Hadley, damage to turkey by dogs	\$5 00
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## Forest Fires

Paid for forest fires	\$20 40
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## Taxes Bought by Town

B. F. Roberts estate and C.F.Roberts	\$29 78
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## Total

\$19954 30
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Cash on hand at beginning of year	727 17
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## GRAND TOTAL

<hr/> \$20681 47
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Respectfully submitted

CHARLES H. RAYMOND

GEORGE O. CARLTON

GEORGE C. HADLEY

Selectmen of Mont Vernon

Mont Vernon, January 31, 1920.

## Report of Town Treasurer

Town of Mont Vernon to A. P. Temple, Treasurer

Dr.

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1919	\$3,322 11
Received from G. W. Coggin:	
Uncollected taxes 1918	1,196 78
Interest collected 1918	27 29
Taxes collected 1919	10,408 77
Interest collected 1919	4 30
Abatement 1919	26 00
Received from :	
Bounty on hedgehogs	6 60
Sale of beam	14 50
Pedlers' licenses	15 00
Histories sold	9 50
Dog licenses	42 75
Highway Dept.	1,099 29
Auto licenses	121 39
Nashua R. R. tax	28 90
Note M. H. Raymond	500 00
Notes Bank	2,000 00
Note C. H. Raymond	500 00
E. H. Best for highway	710 81
Forest fire account	10 20
Taxes Ben Roberts place	14 51
Overcharge on interest at bank	70
Rent of town hall	104 00
Railroad tax	138 37
Savings bank tax	379 70
	<hr/> \$20,681 47

Cr.

By paying selectmen's orders	\$19,954	30	
By cash on hand in bank	727	17	
			\$20,681 47
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1920	727	17	
Uncollected taxes 1919	1045	29	
Assets			\$1,772 46

ARTHUR P. TEMPLE,  
Town Treasurer.

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### REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Due from 1918 taxes	\$1196	78	
Interest from 1918	27	29	
			\$1224 07
Taxes assessed for 1919	11480	08	
Interest	4	30	
			\$11484 38
Taxes collected, 1919	\$10408	77	
Interest collected	4	30	
Abatements	26	00	
Taxes due Jan 31, 1920	1045	29	
			\$11484 38

GEORGE W. COGGIN.  
Collector.

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### REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Paid A. W. Winn, labor and digging graves \$85.30

HARRY G. BLOOD  
Treasurer.



## Report of Trustees of Trust Funds

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### RECEIPTS FOR YEAR 1919

Town of Milford, serial note	\$40 00	
Interest on Gov't. bonds	10 64	
	<hr/>	\$50 64
Pd. Alonzo Winn. care each lot	Amt. due each lot.	
Dean lot	5 00	28 63
Odell lot	5 00	19 42
Colby lot	5 00	4 05
Misses Kendall lot	4 00	5 23
Batchelder lot	4 00	5 23
Holcomb lot	4 00	5 23
Baker lot	4 00	05
Coburn lot	2 00	15
Kittredge lot	2 00	05
Perkins lot	2 00	65
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	37 00	68 69

### AMOUNT OF FUNDS IN HANDS OF TRUSTEES

Harriet Dean	\$300 00	
Luther Odell	200 00	
John Colby	200 00	
Misses Kendall	100 00	
Ruben Batchelder	100 00	
Sarah Holcomb	100 00	
Mary E. Baker	100 00	
Stephen Coburn	50 00	
John T. Perkins	50 00	
Harriet Kittredge	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$1250 00

## HOW INVESTED

Town of Milford serial note	\$1000 00	
Government bonds	250 00	
	<hr/>	\$1250 00
Granite Savings bank, income not expended	\$68 69	
Dividends	2 61	
	<hr/>	\$71 30

CHARLES H. RAYMOND

WILLIAM H. KENDALL

GEORGE C. HADLEY

Trustees of Trust Funds.

I have this day examined the above and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

NATHANIEL F. HOOPER

Auditor

## Report of Overseer of Poor

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Dr.

Received from the County	\$89 77
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Cr.

Paid Temple & Blood, goods furnish- ed Jarvis Smith	\$84 77
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Paid Arthur Temple, conveying Jarvis Smith to County Farm	5 00
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\$89 77

GEORGE C. HADLEY

Overseer of the Poor



## Report of Library Trustees

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During the past year Miss Mabel Spencer, who had been our librarian and given faithful and efficient service, felt obliged to resign, being absent from town. Miss Georgianna Flint who had been acting as her substitute, was chosen in her place.

The plan for re-cataloguing and re-arranging the books had been begun by Miss Spencer, and now, owing to the help and co-operation of the Trustees of the Daland Fund, the plan has become an accomplished fact.

Much praise is due Miss Flint for the able and careful way in which she has done the work.

As a full report is given this year by our librarian, it is not necessary to go into details. We wish however to thank all the donors of books and magazines for their generous gifts. They are especially appreciated now when the prices of printed matter are soaring almost out of sight.

"Of making new books there is no end," said the wise old preacher, years ago.

We wonder what he would have said in this day when the book market is flooded with so much that is worthless, as well as with real literature

It is difficult on this account, with the limited funds at our disposal, to choose always the BEST, and we ask our patrons to be patient if we apparently wait too long for a selection.

Some good books are on the way, however, and we hope soon to make some additions to our shelves and increase the attractiveness of our already attractive library.

JAY M. GLEASON  
WILLARD P. WOODS  
MAY V. TREVITT

Trustees

## REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

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The trustees of the Daland Library having requested a report, the following it respectfully submitted by the librarian:

Libraries, like homes, come in time to a place where a general renovating is needed, and during the past autumn the Daland Library has been through such a process. The books have been re-classified and re-catalogued, and as far as possible they have been repaired. At present the library contains about 516 volumes of the Appleton library and 2,748 in the Daniels library. These are classified as follows:

Agriculture	30 Volumes
Biography	75 Volumes
Essays	59 Volumes
History	69 Volumes
Poetry	20 Volumes
Religious Works	36 Volumes
Science	28 Volumes
Travel & Adventure	75 Volumes

The poetry is conspicuous by its absence, and there are no poets more recent than Longfellow and Whittier. This leaves 2376 volumes of fiction and a few nature books. While there is a goodly number of books for adults, the number for children is small and inadequate, less than three hundred, and these for the most part are in a dilapidated condition, many being quite beyond repair. Of the 88 new books added to the library the past year only 10 volumes have been for children. This seems a mistake, as libraries everywhere are recognizing the importance of providing the right sort of books for children who, not finding enough reading on the shelves devoted to their use, often select from the shelves of the adult fiction books neither instructive, helpful, nor healthy. The librarian earnestly hopes that another year

may see an improvement in this department of the library. Among the books of the Appleton library are many old, rare, and very valuable books, and these have been placed in one of the cases in the reading room, and in another case a very beautiful and finely bound set of Ruskin, and one of the Waverly novels.

The library has on the reading table Harpers, Century, Geographic, World's Work, Ladies' Home Journal, Good Housekeeping, Red Cross Magazine, St. Nicholas, Daughters of American Revolution Magazine, Carry On, and The New York Independent. Of these, five are contributed by friends of the library. Since October 1, 1919, an account has been kept of the circulation of books, and from that date until January 29, 1920, 1185 books were taken out. The largest number in one day's circulation was 50 on January 29, but the average output is about 35. It is hoped that the number may be increased during the coming year.

GEORGINNA W. FLINT

Librarian of Daland Library.



**REPORT OF TREASURER OF TOWN LIBRARY**

For the Year Ending February 1, 1920.

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Dr.

Cash in treasury Feb. 1, 1919	\$ 5 84	
Town appropriation	200 00	
Cash from fines	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$209 84

Cr.

Cash for books	\$53 99	
Cash for periodicals	16 75	
Librarian's services	89 00	
Supplies	1 12	
Insurance on books	8 60	
Wood	40 00	
Balance cash on hand	38	
	<hr/>	\$209 84

J. M. GLEASON

Treasurer

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**REPORT OF AUDITOR**

I have this day examined the reports of Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Overseer of Poor, Trustees of Trust Funds, and Treasurer of Town Library, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

NATHANIEL F. HOOPER

Auditor

# Mont Vernon School District

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## SCHOOL BOARD

Arthur F. Stearns, Chairman

George W. Kittredge, Secretary

Emily C. A. Starrett

## DISTRICT TREASURER

Jay M. Gleason

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Harold C. Bales, Milford

## TRUANT OFFICER

Harry G. Blood

## SCHOOL NURSE

Charlotte A. Smith, Red Cross House, Milford

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## WARRANT FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town on Mont Vernon, County of Hillsborough, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 9th day of March, 1920, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following subjects:

- 1 To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
- 2 To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3 To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
- 4 To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- 5 To choose all othre necessary officers.
- 6 To see if the district will vote to make any alterations in the report of the School Board recommending the amount of money required for the support of schools and payment of statutory obligations, including estimated deficit for present school year.
- 7 To see if the district will vote to adopt provisions of Chapter 83, Laws of 1913, providing for medical inspection.
- 8 To see if the district will vote to insure the schoolhouses and raise and appropriate money for the same.
- 9 To see if the district will vote to make any changes in the toilets at the Center School and raise and appropriate money for the same.
- 10 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred twenty.

ARTHUR F. STEARNS

GEORGE W. KITTREDGE

EMILY C. A. STARRETT

School Board of Mont Vernon

## Report of School Board

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### 2 Budget for School Year Sept. 1, 1920—Aug. 31, 1921

Budget	High	Elem
Teachers' Salaries		\$1876 00
Textbooks		50 00
Scholars' Supplies		50 00
Flags and Appurtenances		5 00
Janitor Service		175 00
Fuel		125 00
Building Supplies		5 00
Minor Repairs		25 00
Medical Inspection		15 00
Transportation		700 00
Tuition at High Schools	440 00	
Other Expense		5 00
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Total amount for above items	\$440 00	\$3031 00
Estimate of a \$5 tax on 1920 inventory		\$2500 00
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Amount to be expected from state aid		\$ 531 00

### REQUIREMENTS TO MEET BUDGET

For support of elementary schools	\$2500 00
For high school tuition.	440 00
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Total for support of all schools (School money)	\$2940 00

### SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT OF ASSESSMENT REQUIRED

For support of schools and the purchase of required books, supplies and flags and the payment of high school tuitions	\$2940 00
Estimate of \$3.50 tax on 1920 inventory	\$1750.
Estimate of additional sums needed	\$1190.



For payment of \$2 per capita tax	100 00
For salaries of School Board	50 00
For salary of District Treasurer	10 00
For Superintendent's excess salary	25 00
For Truant Officer and Census	10 00
For other expense of administration	75 00

**Estimated income other than state aid.**

Dog Licenses	\$50 00
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In addition to the above a deficiency appropriation is needed for the period until September 1, 1920. This deficit is determined as follows:

Amount of money probably required

for full year from September 1, 1919

to August 31, 1920 \$3517

Dog licenses 47

Total to be raised \$3470

Voted March 11, 1919 3003

Amount needed \$467

This deficit is due to alterations made at village school and loss of expected income from state due to valuation being increased.

ARTHUR F. STEARNS

GEORGE W. KITTREDGE

EMILY C. A. STARRETT

School Board of Mont Vernon

**REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD FOR YEAR SEPT 1,  
1918 TO AUGUST 31, 1919**

Available resources as per report rendered by district treasurer \$3213 85

**ORDERS DRAWN ON DISTRICT TREASURER**

Salary of School Board

Frank Connor	\$ 8 33	
Arthur F. Stearns	16 67	
George D. Kittredge	16 67	
Emily C. A. Starrett	8 33	
		\$50 00

Superintendent's Salary

A. W. Smith		\$260 38
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District Treasurer

J. M. Gleason		\$10 00
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Teachers

Louise Barrett, grammar	\$506 96	
Edna Burt, primary	455 00	
Viola Jenkins, East	204 00	
Rose Foley	10 40	
		\$1176 36

Text Books

Ginn & Co	\$ 92	
Houghton Mifflin Co	4 90	
D. McNettor & Co	25 00	
Chas. E. Merrill Co.	2 87	
World Book Co.	1 06	
		\$34 75

Scholars' Supplies

Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$ 7 80	
H. H. Barber	2 49	
Edson C. Eastman Co.	1 05	
J. L. Hammett Co	2 62	
R. E. Lane	77	
		\$14 73

## Janitor Service

N. B. Carrow	\$ 50	
E. A. Lewis	4 94	
Lura Pike	62 50	
Mrs. G. L. Tabbut	17 00	
Mrs. F. C. Towne	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$87 44

## Building Supplies

Blood and Temple	\$2 29
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## Fuel

E. H. Best,	\$ 9 00	
F. O. Lamson	100 00	
Mrs. H. A. Hutchinson	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$116 50

## Flags &amp; Appurtenances

W. F. French	\$7 00
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## Transportation

Abbie Averill	\$20 40	
R. G. Averill	76 00	
Abbie Connor	50 00	
Maude Connor	206 50	
Arthur M. Hazen	3 60	
John Hazen	2 50	
John Hopkins	12 00	
Norman Horton	44 00	
Mrs. Norman Horton	166 00	
Ethel Mason	3 00	
E. W. Trow	32 00	
	<hr/>	\$616 00

## Tuition

Milford School District	385 00
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## Unclassified

J. M. Gleason, postage	1 50
Milford Cabinet, printing	1 25

A. W. Smith, Supt.'s expense	1 58	
	<hr/>	\$4 33
Total of orders drawn		<hr/> \$2,764 78

The following amounts seem to have been paid by the District Treasurer between September 1, 1918 and August 31, 1919 without orders having been written by the School Board.

Milford School District	\$157 50	
Amherst School District	91 50	
Amherst School District	67 25	
Loura Pike	24 0	
Arthur F. Stearns	140 00	
Arthur F. Stearns	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$630 25

ARTHUR F. STEARNS,  
 GEORGE D. KITTREDGE,  
 EMILY C. A. STARRETT,  
 School Board of Mont Vernon.



## DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

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Financial report of the School District in the Town  
of Mont Vernon from August 1918 to August 1919.

Town appropriation	\$3,000 00	
Literary fund	28 60	
Dog tax	60 25	
From state for supt.	125 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,213 85
Paying salaries of School Board	50 00	
Paying salaries of School treasurer	10 00	
Paying salary of superintendent	250 00	
Teachers' salaries	1,186 00	
High school tuition	795 25	
Elementary	15 00	
Textbooks	31 69	
Flag	3 00	
Janitors	106 50	
Fuel	116 00	
Transportation	467 90	
Amount on hand Aug. 1919	180 51	
	<hr/>	\$3,213 85

## REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL BOARD.

Dr.

Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1919	\$ 192 47	
Cash received for spring term	1263 85	
	<hr/>	\$1,465 32

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Paying orders of School Board	\$1,454 35	
Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1919	1 97	
	<hr/>	\$1,465 32
Amt. drawn between Sept. 1, '19 & Jan. 31, '20	\$2,320 15	
Paying orders of School Board	1,829 52	
	<hr/>	\$490 63

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1920	\$490 63
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J. M. GLEASON,  
Treasurer.

I have this day examined the above report and find it  
correctly cast and properly vouched.

NATHANIEL F. HOOPER,  
Auditor.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board of Mont Vernon:

I herewith submit my first report, and the third since supervision was established:

### Teachers

This subject is by far the most important matter educationally at the present time because there is a serious shortage of trained teachers and a more serious shortage of teachers about to enter training. The reason lies in the matter of salaries and it is imperative that salaries be materially increased or the usual changes from year to year will give us increasingly inferior teachers or no teachers at all. It was reported at a meeting of Superintendents at Durham, on Dec. 29, that fifty schools in New Hampshire were then closed through lack of teachers. And that in all probability, the turn over of teachers during the coming summer would require from 400 to 500 recruits, while the normal schools would graduate next June less than 100. Our neighboring states can furnish no material. We must make it worth while for New Hampshire girls to enter the profession.

What is the situation about salaries? As Commissioner Butterfield so clearly stated at a recent Teachers' Institute in Nashua, there are three elements which constitute a teacher's salary. They are:

Financial return or wages.

Popular respect.

Inner satisfaction.

Wages should enable every teacher to live comfortably and be well dressed; keep abreast of times professionally through books, magazines and advanced study; and finally to provide a thrift wage against old age or other incapacity. No fixed amount in dollars can be stated as costs vary in different localities.

Popular respect means public sympathy and support that is alert to recognize and reward deserving teachers in other ways than by money alone. Popular respect comes only when the value of education and the dignity of teaching is appreciated. Popular respect manifests itself in many ways: it provides comfortable homes, it searches out the teacher at her work, it regards teachers as assets in the social life of the community, it encourages boys and girls to become teachers if they are fit. But it dies the moment that interest drops—that moment when everybody's business becomes nobody's business—when nothing is done because each individual expects someone else to do the thing which he ought to do himself. Teachers, on their side, can not expect full measure of popular respect unless they deserve it and earn it both in the schoolroom and in the community at large.

Inner satisfaction or power is ever present in the teacher who likes to teach and knows how, but rarely exists in those who are marking time in the profession until some other job turns up. No encouragement should be given to incompetent or unprepared candidates for appointment, or reelection.

Money is not all and will not alone solve the problem of shortage of teachers. There must be an increase in all three elements of the teacher's salary—wages, popular respect, and inner satisfaction—until the teaching profession attracts and holds the best minds in the country. For just as the training of experts in war was the key to victory, so education of both native born and foreign born is the key to Americanization.

### **Buildings and Grounds**

Great improvement has been made in the village school building by increasing and re-arranging the lighting area. Certain standards are now set up by the state board for school houses. Mont Vernon meets these standards reasonably well at this time. The only change



of major importance might be a more modern heating apparatus at the village schoolhouse. The one room schoolhouses would eventually have to be remodelled should they be used again for schools with large enrollment.

### **The New Hampshire School Law of 1919. Finances.**

These two subjects will be considered together, as they are closely allied. The law will not be quoted in full, but certain sections will be mentioned and discussed.

Section 9 states in effect that after Sept. 1, 1919, all school districts in the state shall be under supervision. The several school boards of districts forming supervisory unions together constitute a joint board which board nominates the superintendent. The state board then employs him and fixes the minimum salary (now \$2000.) Any union may add to this minimum, in which case one half the excess is paid by the state and one half is prorated to the districts in the union by the joint board.

The Milford supervisory union is now composed of the school districts of Amherst, Brookline, Milford and Mont Vernon. Joint expenses consist of one half the excess salary of the superintendent (\$200), salary of superintendent's clerk (\$400), and office expenses, (\$24), all as voted by the joint board in August 1919. Of these amounts Amherst pays one fourth, Brookline one sixth, Milford one half, and Mont Vernon one twelfth.

Section 12 states that the superintendent shall nominate and school boards elect, all teachers, and that superintendents shall direct the work of these teachers.

Section 20, amending public statutes Chapter 92, states: "The district shall furnish transportation to all pupile below the ninth grade who live more than two miles from the school to which they are assigned, or it may, with the consent of the pupils' parents provide board for them in some suitable home near the school.

Pupils who are to be transported may be required to walk any reasonable part, not exceeding one mile, of the distance from their homes to the school. The school board may furnish transportation to pupils in grades above the eighth or to any pupils residing less than two miles from the school to which they are assigned when it finds that this is desirable, and shall furnish it when directed by the commissioner of education."

Under this law the transportation problem both from the point of view of expense and difficulty, has increased much over estimates of a year ago. It must be recognized that a considerable sum expended for transportation may actually be less than would be expended should another school room be opened with all the attending expense.

Section 21 amends Public Statutes, Chapter 88, to read: "The selectmen in each town shall assess an annual tax of three dollars and fifty cents on each thousand dollars of the value of the ratable estate taxable therein for the support of the public schools."

"The school board of each district in its annual report shall state in detail the additional sums of money, if any, which will be required during the ensuing fiscal year for the support of the public schools, for the purchase of text books scholars' supplies, flags and appurtenances, and for the payment of the tuition of the pupils in the district in high schools and academies in accordance with Chapter 96 of the Laws of 1901, and for the payment of all other statutory obligations of the district. The selectmen of the town in their next annual assessment shall assess upon the taxable property of the district a sum sufficient to meet the obligations above enumerated, with such alterations thereof as may be voted by the district, and when collected shall pay the same over to the district treasurer."

Section 22 states: "In any district in which the money produced by a tax of five dollars on a thousand dollars

of the value of the ratable estates in the district is insufficient to maintain the required elementary and special schools, and to purchase the required text books, scholars' supplies, flags and appurtenances, the state board shall provide the balance of the money necessary from the money appropriated for that purpose by the provisions of this act. In districts so aided the state board, acting through the local school board, shall administer all money available for the maintenance of the public schools and shall account for the money raised by the districts as well as that furnished by the state."

Section 10 states: "Each school district in the state shall pay to the state treasurer on or before December 1 in each year, as its share of the expense incident to state-wide supervision of the public schools, a sum equal to two dollars for each child residing in the district who was enrolled in the public schools in the last preceding school year, and the selectmen shall annually assess upon the value of the ratable estate of the district a sum sufficient for this purpose."

This means that the school board reports the number of children registered to the selectmen, who assess this two-dollar tax without vote of the school district.

Laws of 1909, Chap. 22, state: "At its annual meeting each school district shall determine and appoint the salaries of its school board and truant officer. Truant officers or agents appointed by school boards are required annually in September to make enumeration of children.

The budget submitted for the next school year has been framed to meet the requirements for state aid.

### Conclusion

In this report I have not attempted to cover the field at all fully, but rather to point out some things that need to be carefully considered in the formation of plans for next year.

Although we may truly say that the teacher is the

most important part of the school system, yet, in New Hampshire, the state board of education, the superintendent, the local school board, the parents and the citizens all have a part to do if we are to make New Hampshire schools meet the standards set up by the Educational Law of 1919—standards which are being recognized all over the United States as superior to those of any other state in the Union.

Respectfully submitted,

Feb. 5, 1920.

HAROLD C. BALES



## APPENDIX A.

**Statistics for School Year 1918--1919**

Number of schools maintained	2
Number of weeks in school year	36
Whole number of pupils registered	34
Boys, 13. Girls, 21	
Number of pupils under five years of age	0
Number of pupils five to eight years of age	8
Number of pupils eight to fourteen years of age	23
Number of pupils fourteen to sixteen years of age	2
Number of pupils over sixteen years of age	1
Average attendance at all schools	24
Average absence in all schools	2.57
Average membership in all schools	26.65
Per cent of attendance	90.73
Number of pupils neither absent not tardy	0
Number cases of tardiness	415
Number of pupils attending high school whose tuition is paid by the district	6
Number of children enumerated in September 1919 five years of age or over and under 16	49
Boys, 24. Girls, 25.	

## APPENDIX B.

**Results of Medical Inspection, October, 1919**

Number of children examined	31
Number notices sent to parents	28
Number defective teeth	24
Number hypertrophied tonsils	15
Number defective vision	6
Number anemia	2
Number unvaccinated	9

Respectfully submitted

CHARLOTTE A. SMITH, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

## APPENDIX C.

**Teachers**

1919--1920

GRAMMAR—Louise Barrett, Fitchburg Normal, North  
Adams Normal. \$18 00 per week.PRIMARY—Florence Corliss, Keene and Plymouth  
Summer Normal. \$13 00 per week.EAST—Viola Jenkins, McCollum Institute. \$12. per wk.  
1918--1919.

GRAMMAR—Louise Barrett, (see above.) \$14 per week.

PRIMARY—Edna Burt. Keene Summer. \$13 per week.

## APPENDIX D.

**High School Pupils, 1918--1919**

## Milford

Jennie Blood (G)

Esther Fox (G)

Hazel Fox

Marjorie Grant

Winifred Stearns (G)

Arthur Trow

## Amherst

Mary Herlihy

Lorraine Tabbut

## Stearns School

Arthur Blood

George Blood

Theodore Blood

William Lamson

Edward Milne

Alden Stearns

## Jesse Trow

(G)—Graduated in June 1919.

## APPENDIX E.

**Pupils Completing Grammar School June, 1919**

Mildred Coggin

Mary Hadley

Helen Hopkins

Leonard Trow



# **Births Registered in the Town of Mont Vernon, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919**

Date and Place of Birth	Name of the Child (if any.)	Sex and Condition.		Name of father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
		Sex	Living or Stillborn.						
Mar. 12, Mt Vernon	Jane Morgan	F	L	2 Ralph Morgan	Abbie Dodge	Mont Vernon	Farmer	Bear River, N. S	Mont Vernon
June 11, Mt Vernon	George Everett Bates	M	L	1 Everett C. Bates	Nina Landman	Mont Vernon	Hotel Man	Saratoga S. N Y	Kent City Mich
July 11, Mt Vernon	Evelyn Carleton	F	L	2 George O. Carleton	Bessie M. Blood	Mont Vernon	Farmer	Mont Vernon	Mont Vernon
Aug. 12, Mt Vernon	Frances Gardner	F	L	10 Joseph Gardner	Mary St. John	Mont Vernon	Laborer	Canada	Lowell, Mass.
Nov. 7, Mt Vernon	Helen Wallace	F	L	3 Miles E. Wallace	Alice R. Blood	Mont Vernon	Farmer	Manchester	Amherst
Dec. 6, Mt Vernon	Beverly Goodale	F	L	2 Glenn E. Goodale	Lillie T. Tomgoen	Mont Vernon	Carpenter	Milford	Philadelphia Pa

# **Marriages Registered in the Town of Mont Vernon, N. H , for the Year Ending December 31, 1919**

Date and Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation	Marriage	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married
May 15, Mt Vernon	William W. Fish	Mont Vernon	76	Retired	No. Chelmsford	John B. Fish	Pembroke, Mass.		2	H. P. Peck, Clergyman.
June 7, Mt Vernon	Helen L. Stevens	Mont Vernon	76	At Home	Johnstown Vt.	Gary W. Ober	No. Andover Ms.	Lawyer	3	man. Mont Vernon
	James M. Abbott	Lowell, Mass.	43	Banker	Lowell, Mass.	James C. Abbott	Rowley, Mass.	Retired	1	Laurens MacLevee
	Amy Louise Hubbard	Somerville Ms	29	At Home	Somerville, Mas.	Orrin C. Hubbard			1	Clerg'n. Newton M



# Deaths Registered in the Town of Mont Vernon, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919

Date and Place of. Death	Name and Surname of deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.		Occupation	Place of birth		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days	Sex	Father.		Mother.			
Feb. 17, Mt Vernon	Esther D. Fax	88	7	7	New Boston	F	M	New Boston	New Boston	Benjamin Fairfield	Ennice McMillen
Mar. 10, Mt Vernon	Ellen S. Starrett	67	4	13	Labrador	F	W	Labrador	Labrador	Samuel Shinnicks	Amira Keats
Mar. 29, Mt Vernon	Hiram W. Brown	74	8	22	Mont Vernon	M	S	Carleve, Mass.	Concord, Mass.	Amaca Brown	Maria Wilkins
Apr. 7, Mt Vernon	John H. Goodrich	84	10	10	Lyndeboro	M	W	Pelham	Lyndeboro	John C. Goodrich	Pamela Atwood
Sept. 8, Lincoln	Charlott D. Scott	53	8	3	MacDuff	F	M	Scotland	Scotland	John C. Thanks	Barbara Mair
Sept. 27, Mt Vernon	Caroline S. Davis	86	10	18	Mont Vernon	F	W	Mont Vernon	Mont Vernon	John Averill	Hannah French
Nov. 28, Mt Vernon	Arthur D. Scott	67	2	13	Woburn, Mass.	M	M	Biddeford, Me.	West Fairlee, Vt	Daniel H. Scott	Pheobe Davis
Dec. 5, Mt Vernon	Walter H. Foote	56	5	15	Francestown	M	M	Deering	Deering	Patrick Foote	Rebecca Whitefield





